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1. Construction of a new factory at Sternberk started in spring 1951 and all the buildings were completed during 1952. This factory is located west of the main road between Sternberk and Olomouc, between the lunatic asylum and the Captain Nalepka Barracks. Work on the factory and underground storage halls connected with it was carried out by 600 soldiers of an Auxiliary Technical Battalion (PTP) under the supervision of civilian specialists. 25X1
2. Although no machinery has been installed, [] the factory will be used for the production of ammunition, for the following reasons:
 - a. Underground storage halls were built at the same time as the factory. They are located approximately one kilometer from the factory and are connected with it by a road.
 - b. The main buildings, all of reinforced concrete, have no windows. Concrete bases for the erection of machinery have been provided.
 - c. The buildings have signs bearing the inscription, "Mlc, nezradis" (Keep quiet and you will not betray).
3. The new factory is bounded on the north by the garden of the lunatic asylum, from which it is fenced off by a brick wall three meters high, with barbed wire on top. On the south it is bounded by the Captain Nalepka Barracks, from which it is fenced off by a wooden fence with barbed wire. On the west is the main road between Olomouc and Sternberk and a concrete wall about 2.5 meters high, with barbed wire.
4. Four guards patrol the factory area day and night, and one guard is on duty at the underground storage halls at all times.

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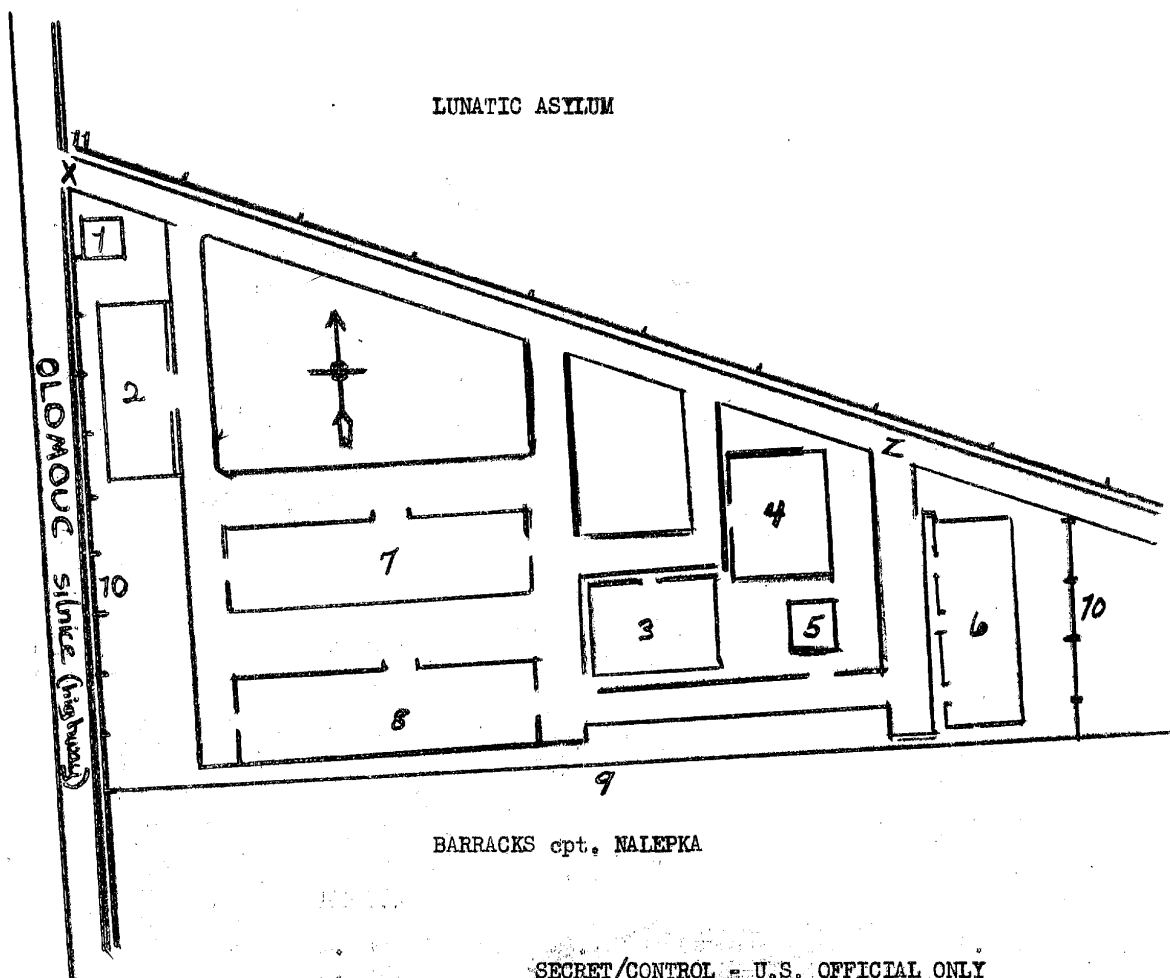
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AMMUNITION FACTORY UNDER
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Legend to Sketch

1. Guardroom, 7 by 7 meters in size. One guard is stationed here at all times.
2. Two-story building with a flat roof, 30 by 10 meters in size, containing the offices of the building firm and of the Auxiliary Technical Battalion.
3. and 4. Two-story buildings with underground rooms, and three large rooms on the ground floor; flat-roofed; 20 by 17 meters in size. Soldiers are billeted in these buildings.
5. Two-story building with a flat roof, 9 by 9 meters in size. This building houses the guard, consisting of two NCOs and 19 men. Guards are armed with sub-machine guns and each man has 90 rounds of ammunition.
6. Two-story building, 35 by 15 meters in size, with underground rooms and a side platform; has small windows 100 by 60 cm. in size, with iron bars; flat-roofed. This building is used for temporary ammunition storage by the 14th Tank Regiment.
7. and 8. Two identical buildings with arched roofs of reinforced concrete, 50 by 15 by 16 meters in size. There are no windows in these buildings; ventilation is by funnel (sic) only. A light wooden roof has been built on the top of the reinforced concrete roof and covered with black tar paper. The main entrance is 3.5 meters wide, with steel windows. The floor slopes at an angle from the entrance down to the center. The side entrances are 2.5 meters wide and have steel windows. The floors are of concrete with protruding bases for machinery. Along both sides of these two buildings, at a height of about eight meters, are fixed rails, probably for cranes.
9. Captain Nalepka Barracks.
10. Concrete wall.
11. Lunatic asylum garden.
- X. Main entrance to factory. One guard is stationed here at all times.
- Z. Exit toward the underground ammunition storage halls. One guard is stationed here at all times.

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